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Application of:

R. Gupta

Serial No.

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For

A Method for Extending the Operating life of a Fixed Bed Reactor

Group Art Unit:

1764

Examiner

Basia Anna Ridley

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Fairfax, Virginia 22037

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request a month extension of time to respond to the Official Action mailed 3 June 2003, a response to which, in the form of a Request for Continued Examination, is filed with this request.

Please charge the following fee to DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 05-1330:

Extension of time, 37 CFR 1.17 (a)(3)

\$ 950.00

Charge any additional fee due or credit any overpayment to DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 05-1330.

A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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